

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 24, 2006

H.R. 5830 Wright Amendment Reform Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on July 19, 2006

H.R. 5830 would amend provisions of federal law that set certain restrictions on commercial air transportation to and from Love Field, an airport located near the cities of Dallas and Forth Worth, Texas. Based on information from the Department of Transportation, CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 5830 would have no significant impact on the federal budget. The bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 5830 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act. The bill would make the necessary changes in federal law to implement an agreement among the cities of Dallas and Forth Worth and American and Southwest Airlines. Any costs to those cities or the state of Texas would be incurred voluntarily.

On July 21, 2006, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for S. 3661, a bill to amend section 29 of the International Air Transportation Competition Act of 1979 relating to air transportation to and from Love Field, Texas, as ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation on July 19, 2006. The two bills are similar, and our cost estimates are the same.

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